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**RE: Serial No. 09/336,207**  
**ATTN: Lowuan Yon**

**Attached is the Office Action response, including a marked-up version of the claims which apparently was inadvertently omitted from the response when filed.**

**Kent Herink**

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In re Application of

Robert McCracken

Serial No. 09/336,207

Filed: June 18, 1999

For: SPANNING MEMBER WITH  
CONVULUTED WEB, C-SHAPED  
FLAGES, AND END PLATE

Group Art Unit: 3635

Examiner: Yvonne M. Horton

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Dear Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for United States Letters Patent and in response to the Office Action mailed July 20, 2001, kindly enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks relative to reconsideration of the present application.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

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1. (amended) An improved beam member comprising:
    - e) an end plate secured to said opposing flanges and to said web member thereby structurally protecting said beam member and providing for a full moment connection between two or more conjoined beam members.

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